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China Answers The Russians

Makes Reply to Complaint as to Breaches of Neutrality.

Points Out That Chinese Were Enlisted by Russians Against Japan.

Complete Refutation of Charges of Aiding the Czar's Enemies.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—China's answer to the American government's communication enlisting attention to Russia's charges that the Chinese were violating neutrality, was delivered to United States Secretary of State Hay at his residence today by Sir Shantung Lien Tung, the Chinese minister. It will later be sent to the President.

Regarding the charges that Chinese bandits are enlisted in the Japanese army, the Chinese government calls attention to the fact that they were first enlisted by the Russians as frontier guards, and fought against the Japanese.

"We find no Japanese officers in our national army at all. We do find in the government school in Peking several Japanese officers. Most of them, however, had been engaged before the war. They are in the same footing as Russians and other foreigners in educational institutions throughout the empire. China further regards this as a matter of internal administration, of which no other government has cause to complain."

Regarding the iron ore said to have been furnished the Japanese army, the answer says this ore is from certain mines owned by the Chinese merchants, separate from the government mines at Hanyang. The transactions are not recognized by the Chinese government.

The Matteo islands are said to have been used by the Japanese as a base for their navy. The Chinese government has for the past year stationed a swift cruiser to watch this island, and no sign of any landing of Japanese has been reported to the government. Regarding the articles of contraband alleged to have been sent to Dalny, the answer says ships have left Chefoo without the known goods.

Regarding the Ryesshitel incident, it is stated that the seizure was unexpected by the Chinese as by the Russians. The Chinese government did everything it could against such seizures. The Chinese government later requested Japan to return the vessel, and while the incident is not yet closed, China considers she has done all possible in the matter.

The Chinese government considers that Russia has violated neutrality in a number of instances. Bridges have been built by the Russians over the Liao river, and Russian troops have been sent to the neutral zone. In many places in the neutral zone, the Russians have forced the sale of provisions. The Chinese have made many advances to the Russians, suggesting arms and ammunition.

The captain of the Ryesshitel, while going to Shanghai under military escort, made his escape from the authorities in whose charge he was. It was stated in conclusion that in view of the baseless charges made by a belittled China, she feels it incumbent upon her to make this answer and let the truth be known that the Chinese government has not swerved one iota from her neutrality, and that the general attitude of the people is peaceful and has been appreciated as such by the powers.

MURDERS BY YAQUI.
Prominent Mexican and Two Servants Murdered by the Yaqui Indians.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 24.—A special from El Paso, Texas, says: "Antonio Arizarian, a member of a prominent Mexican family, with two servants, has been murdered by Yaqui Indians in the same vicinity where five Americans were slain last Thursday. The family of M. Doane, a rancher, was robbed, but they were allowed to go with their lives."

GOPON UNABLE TO CHECK VIOLENCE
Social Democrats are Getting Upperhand in Striker's Councils.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—Father Gopon's popularity is unimpaired, but it is evident that the Social Democrats are getting the upper hand and that they are urging people to violence. From a trustworthy source it is learned that Father Gopon sent a letter to the Social Democrats in the following terms:

"They have fired upon and massacred us, but we are not vanquished, and the day of triumph is nigh. Do not spoil our triumph by taking up arms and resorting to violence. Content yourselves with destroying the portraits of him who is no longer worthy to be our Emperor."

This pacific admonition irritated the Social Democrats, and does not meet with a response from the workmen, who apparently are thirsting for vengeance and are clamoring for their leaders to distribute arms. The revolutionists are also reported to be actively preparing bombs and infernal machines to wreck the post and telegraph offices and destroy other government property. The revolutionists talk wildly of issuing a manifesto declaring a provisional government. They seem to have broken completely with the Zemstvo, whom they treat with contempt on account of what they call their "cringing" to authority. Even Prince Trubetzkoi, who led the reformers of Moscow, is regarded by them with suspicion and even hatred, because in an article published by the Pravda, he described the revolutionists as "A Part Arthur inside Russia" which Russia would have to overthrow. M. Hesson, editor of the Pravda whose advanced liberal views are well known, has been arrested.

The workmen's club has been closed by order of the police.

RADOM BESIEGED.

City in European Russia in State of Siege—Military Patrols Every Street.

Breslau, Prussia, Jan. 24.—Special telegrams from Radom, European Russia, describe that all being in a state of siege with military patrols in every street, who occasionally fire on gatherings of the people, who have gathered the fire, killing three officers. The people are also said to have blown up several buildings with dynamite.

DEADLY BAKING POWDER.

Arsenic Found in Large Quantities in Cafe at Chicago.

Detroit, Jan. 24.—Arsenic in sufficient quantity to kill a hundred people has been found in a can of baking powder that was used in cooking for the patrons of the cafe of an apartment house in this city, a dozen of whom were taken ill suddenly last Thursday from some unknown cause. All are getting better.

An examination of all the food, milk and ice used in the cafe failed to disclose any cause for illness until the city chemist, Mr. Hayward, analyzed a can of baking powder, when he found the arsenic. "I have found sufficient quantity to kill one hundred people," said Hayward today. The police are investigating.

Sympathy For Revolutionists

Disturbances in Many Capitals of Europe by Friends of Russian Strikers.

Swiss Revolutionary Leaders Leave for Russia to Aid Cause.

Special Cable to New York Herald and Victoria Colonist.

Paris, Jan. 24.—Hundreds of students of the Latin quarter made an anti-Russian demonstration in the streets, but were dispersed by the police.

Brussels, Jan. 24.—Groups of men last night gathered before the Russian legation, throwing stones and shouting: "Down with the assassins." The police dispersed the mob. The minister of foreign affairs called at the legation today to express his regret.

Vienna, Jan. 24.—Workmen held a meeting in a hall here last night to discuss the strike situation at St. Petersburg. As soon as the first speaker mentioned the word St. Petersburg, the police official, who was attending such meetings, ordered the meeting to be dissolved. His order was carried out amid considerable tumult and protestation, but there was no disorder.

Milan, Jan. 24.—Turati, a Socialist deputy, addressed a large crowd last night. He condemned the Russian autocracy and declared his intention to introduce a resolution of sympathy of the Italian government with the strikers in both houses of parliament.

Geneva, Jan. 24.—Revolutionist students in university towns are holding indignation meetings. Several revolutionist leaders here are leaving for Russian cities to encourage and direct the strikers in their rebellion.

Trieste, Jan. 24.—Several hundred workmen assembled here last night crying "down with the Czar," "down with tyranny," "down with absolutism." The police dispersed the crowd without difficulty. A few arrests were made.

KIDNAPPING IS NOW SUSPECTED

Theory Advanced to Account for Missing Children at Nanaimo.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Jan. 24.—This afternoon a hundred special constables raided Chinatown in an attempt to find some clue as to the whereabouts of the lost children. Every house in Chinatown was ransacked without success. The big swanup will be made again tomorrow for the last time. The theory of kidnapping is now generally accepted here. Superintendent Hussey returns to Victoria in the morning.

While on her way up from Victoria to Comox, via Nanaimo, the steamer City of Nanaimo broke her shaft when near Chemainus this afternoon. The vessel managed to make this port with her other propeller. The steamer Thistle sails from Victoria tomorrow to replace her.

TRAITOR SENTENCED.
Yokohama, Jan. 24.—H. J. Collins, the man of Portuguese blood, but who has been long a resident of Japan, who was publicly tried Jan. 19 and found guilty of the charge of disclosing of military secrets, was today sentenced to 11 years' imprisonment at hard labor.

ITALIAN SOCIALISTS.
Rome, Jan. 24.—In the Chamber of Deputies today the Socialist members gave notice of an interpellation of the government asking if the ministry had communicated to St. Petersburg the feeling of indignation of Italy for the "butchery of the strikers in St. Petersburg."

THE EASTERN LEAGUE.
New York, Jan. 24.—The eastern league baseball managers, after a two days' session, adjourned tonight. President P. T. Powers was re-elected as president, secretary and treasurer. A new board of directors was chosen, comprising Ed. Hanlon, Baltimore; M. Puder, Newark; George T. Satalings, Buffalo, and H. C. Griffiths.

GERMANY PREPARED.
Frontier Garrison Ready to Prevent Crossing of Probable Revolutionists.

Breslau, Prussia, Jan. 24.—A curious story comes from the Russian frontier, near the Polish frontier, that the garrison there is exercising sometimes during the day and sometimes at night in sudden alarms for the defence of the Russian frontier with the object of being prepared to prevent in violation of the frontier should the disturbances in Russian Poland make headway.

Will Declare Martial Law

Capital of the Russian Empire Will Be in State of Siege Today.

City Presents a Tranquil Appearance But Outbreak Is Feared.

A Reactionary From Moscow Put at Head of the Police.

THE SITUATION.

THERE was no bloodshed in St. Petersburg yesterday, but the condition of affairs has not improved, and in other of the large cities of Russia matters appear rapidly to be assuming a critical character. In spite of the fact that the outlook is threatening, the strike there having become general, while the revolutionary spirit seems to dominate.

A proclamation in the name of Father Gopon has been circulating, urging the use of bombs, dynamite or any weapon whatsoever against the members of the government, who, it is asserted, outlived themselves by the course that was adopted towards the workmen of St. Petersburg on Sunday. The office of governor-general of the city and government of St. Petersburg has been created by imperial order with extraordinary powers.

Dealing with the existing condition of affairs, and General Trepoft, whose administration of the office of chief of police of Moscow brought upon him the sentence of death from the revolutionary party, has been appointed to the post. Numerous arrests have been made, including authors and a prominent editor whose names had been connected with a reported revolutionary propaganda. In spite of the restrictive measures, however, the liberal spirit seems undaunted, for in Moscow Prince Galitzin, who recently resigned the majority in protest against the reform program, has been again chosen mayor by the municipal council by a vote of 113 to 10.

Shopkeepers and residents of St. Petersburg have evidenced their opposition to the strike by closing their doors and windows. Cavalry and infantry patrols were all that were to be seen at mid-night in the streets of St. Petersburg and Moscow.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—St. Petersburg will be declared in a state of siege tomorrow. General Trepoft, until recently chief of police of Moscow, has been appointed Governor-General of St. Petersburg and has taken up quarters in the Winter Palace. Strangely enough, the only precedent is the case of General Trepoft's father during the reign of nihilist terrorism under Alexander II, and it is also a strange coincidence that unsuccessful attempts were made to assassinate him.

The Russian capital is decidedly more calm. Business, which had been at a complete standstill, has been resumed upon a limited basis. The employees in a few of the smaller factories resumed work today, and the crowd of strikers in the streets were diminished. Troops, although in evidence, were not so numerous as on Monday, and a more confident feeling exists in official circles that the energetic measures which have been inaugurated will ensure the safety and quiet of the city.

Beneath the surface, however, the ferment continues, and the public nervousness and apprehension as to future developments is still unallayed.

Meetings of different classes in opposition to the order of things, were held during the afternoon and evening, but the warlike element which was suddenly brought together by the tragic events of last Sunday are advancing on different plans and no common ground of action yet has been found.

In the meantime the police are actively searching out the leaders. Three well-known Russian authors and a prominent editor were arrested today and the prisons are filled with revolutionists and student orators. Such measures may result in more terrorism tomorrow, but the consensus of opinion is that the immediate actions of the strikers depends upon what occurs in Moscow and other large cities of Russia where the workmen are beginning to strike. Over 100,000 men are out in the ancient capital of the empire tonight. A telegram from Moscow to the Associated Press at mid-night reported that there had been no disorder there as yet.

There will be a big demonstration there tomorrow, and it is feared it will be accompanied by bloodshed. The situation concerning the military authorities at Moscow is not serious. There are over 1,000,000 of the inhabitants over two-thirds are workmen, including an exceedingly rough and turbulent element. The troops there are less in numbers and the city does not lend itself like St. Petersburg to natural barriers against the strikers. There are no canals and hills and narrow streets, making it difficult for troops to act. Only the gates piercing the walls of the old town which surround the Kremlin would afford the military natural places to bar demonstrations.

The lower section of the Nevsky Prospect, including the Winter palace district and the quay, where the embassies are located, is in darkness and there has been a resumption of the panicky feeling of yesterday. Nevertheless the authorities express increasing confidence that the backbone of the strike is broken and that all the prominent agitators and many extreme liberals have been arrested. Father Gopon has disappeared, and is said to be in Moscow directing the strike there.

For the moment the men are without a plan of action and are seemingly commencing to realize that, without arms, it is folly to resist the troops. The strikers are paralyzed and there is general fear that the revolutionists and terrorists who are coming to the front will begin a reign of bomb-throwing and that the political exiles' association known as the "Illegal Red Cross," will make large contributions.

There is no truth in the report circulated that strikers, 30,000 strong, are marching upon Kelpine, twenty miles from St. Petersburg, for the purpose of seizing the small arms factory there. Sensational but unconfirmed reports are in circulation that the prefect of St. Petersburg has been arrested and that he will be succeeded by General Trepoft, the former chief of police of Moscow. It is also reported that the chief of police of St. Petersburg has been assassinated.

Moscow, Jan. 24.—A body of strikers at noon today forced their way into the works of the firm of Hopper & Co., and compelled 500 men to join the strike. Simultaneously factories and other works were closed throughout the districts adjoining Daniloff street.

U. S. AMBASSADOR'S SUMMARY.
Washington, Jan. 24.—The state department is in receipt of a cablegram of several hundred words from Ambassador McCormick at St. Petersburg summarizing the conditions in that city. Information contained in the cablegram does not differ materially from that contained in the Associated Press despatches.

ANOTHER STRIKE.
Eilima, Russia, Jan. 24.—A strike has commenced here. The town is quiet.

Prince Mirsky's Office Is Vacant
Minister of Interior Has Resigned and Successor Can Not Be Found.

Moscow Student's Anniversary Will Likely Cause Blood Shed.
Special Cable to New York Herald and Victoria Colonist.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 25.—By telephone from Moscow I have learned that labor troubles have broken out there.

Tomorrow, the occasion of the fifteenth yearly jubilee of the university students, riot is expected. General Volkoff, the new governor of Moscow, states that he will adopt the same repressive measures as at St. Petersburg.

Several university professors belonging to the party of progress have been arrested here, and also Hedrin, a prominent member of the town council. The troops have ceased using firearms. Cossacks are clearing the streets with whips.

Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky has resigned, but his resignation is not yet accepted as it is difficult to find a substitute. The position has been offered to Prince Obolensky, who has declined. Obolensky is a member of the imperial court and formerly was governor of Warsaw. M. Witte was offered the post but refused. Among those killed yesterday was Mlle. Orenloff, daughter of the inventor of the Alexander museum here, and granddaughter of a well-known painter.

Grand Duke Constantin presides at tomorrow's meeting of the press delegates, and it is expected this will end the printer's strike. Most of the victims of Sunday's massacre have been buried tonight, but many families can obtain no information as to the fate of their relatives.

RUSSIA WANTS MORE GUNS.
New York, Jan. 24.—The Russian government has ordered the Ludwig Loewe arms factory to supply, as soon as possible, five hundred machine guns.

THOMAS EDISON UNDER THE KNIFE
Celebrated Inventor in Surgeon's Hands for Critical Operation.

New York, Jan. 24.—According to the Times, a critical surgical operation was performed on Thomas A. Edison, the inventor, at his home (Glenmont in Llewellyn Park, a suburb of West Orange, N. J., last night. Great secrecy was maintained by the family in regard to the affair and few details could be obtained. The operation was for a mastoid abscess behind the ear and very close to the brain.

Mr. Edison, as is generally known, has been very deaf for many years, the affliction has been growing worse. He had been suffering considerably for about a week, and the matter of an operation was approached several days ago, but there was strong hope until yesterday that it might be avoided. It was postponed, however, that while Mr. Edison was better in many particulars, the growth was not yielding to treatment, and the conclusion was reached that the operation would have to be performed at once.

SENATOR CLARK SUCCEEDS.
Cheyenne, Wyo., Jan. 24.—Both houses of the legislature today voted for U. S. Senator Clark to succeed himself.

FERDINAND OF BULGARIA.
Berlin, Jan. 24.—Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria will arrive here Thursday as the guest of Emperor William, and will remain in Berlin until Sunday.

ERIE SHIP CANAL.
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 24.—Senator Loomis today reintroduced his bill of last year providing for negotiations with the United States government for the construction of a ship canal from Lake Erie to Lake Ontario at Oswego, thence to the Hudson.

NO MARTIAL LAW.
Paris, Jan. 24.—Official information from St. Petersburg continues to be meagre, but it is said that martial law has not been proclaimed up to noon. The situation at the Russian capital is still considered dangerous owing to the advisers received of agitators in southern Russia and Moscow.

TOASTED THE PRESIDENT.
Tokio, Jan. 24.—The Emperor today received Minister Griseombe and the staff of the American legation in special audience and later entertained them at luncheon. Prince Fushimi and a number of Japanese of high rank were present. His Majesty toasted President Roosevelt and those present, including the Japanese ambassador.

Dominion News Notes

Governor General and Party Visit Montreal and are Warmly Welcomed.

Dawson Hockey Team Again go Down to Defeat in Nova Scotia.

Well-known Hotel Man of Toronto Passes Away in California.

MONTREAL, Jan. 24.—The Governor-General, accompanied by Lady Grey and party, arrived in the city at 11:45 this morning and were met at the station by a large and enthusiastic crowd. A guard of honor of one hundred men from the Royal Scots was drawn up on the platform, and as the party alighted the band played the National Anthem. Many prominent citizens were present. The party at once were driven to the Windsor hotel. Their first engagement was at 3 o'clock, when they went to the City hall, where Their Excellencies were received by Mayor Laporte and the aldermen, and an address of welcome presented. This was followed by the presentation of the Imperial Service Order medals to Maxime Geraud, James Johnston and Manlio Chabrand, all of whom had served over thirty years in the Montreal custom house. The guard of honor here was furnished by the 66th Regiment. At the conclusion of the City hall ceremony Their Excellencies drove to Notre Dame hospital, where they were received by Dr. Lachapelle and the board of governors of the institution, and an address of welcome was read by Dr. Benoit. At 7:30 this evening Lord and Lady Grey gave a private dinner party, at which about thirty guests were present. Tomorrow their departure from the board of trade at a reception attended by thousands of people. Here another address was presented by G. E. Drummond, president of the board of trade. The affair was a most successful one in every way. Tomorrow Their Excellencies have nine engagements, the principal one being the conferring of the honorary degree of LL.D. on the Governor-General by McGill.

DAVID WALKER DEAD.
Toronto, Jan. 24.—Word was received here today of the death at Riverside, Cal., of David Walker, proprietor of the Walker House of this city. He was one of the best known hotel men in Canada.

Fire this morning in the Truth building did damage to the extent of about \$10,000. A fireman had a narrow escape by one of the pillars in the basement giving way.

The court of appeals has refused to grant a new trial to Alexander Martin, who was found guilty of murdering his infant son at Coatsworth Cut on August 3, 1904, and Martin will be sentenced to be hanged. Chief Justice Falconbridge will pass sentence tomorrow.

AGAIN DEFEATED.
Amherst, Jan. 24.—The Dawson City Stanley cup hockey team was defeated here last night by the Ramblers, champions of Nova Scotia, by a score of 4 to 2. Two thousand people witnessed the match, which was fast but not rough.

FIRE IN COLLINGWOOD.
Collingwood, Ont., Jan. 24.—Fire this morning destroyed the Lindsay block and badly damaged the upper flats of the Carmichael building, adjoining. The loss to buildings and contents is estimated at nearly \$15,000.

M. P. P. BROKE HIS NOSE.
Winnipeg, Jan. 24.—Mr. Jackson, M. P. for Hamiota in the local house, slipped and fell this morning, breaking his nose.

STRIKE IN GERMANY.
Gladbach, Prussia, Jan. 24.—Three large factories here have notified most of their workmen that they intend to come down owing to the scarcity of coal.

TUCKER GUILTY OF PAGE MURDER
Will Be Sentenced to Death for Fendish Crime Last March.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 24.—Charles Tucker, of Auburndale, at 10:10 o'clock tonight was found guilty of murder in the first degree in killing Miss Mabel Page, a young girl, who was found guilty on March 31 last. The verdict was in the electric chair at the state prison in Charlestown, about a mile from the scene of the trial. He will be sentenced later.

Tucker collapsed utterly when the verdict was announced and his counsel were unable to revive him for some time.

The murder of Miss Mabel Page at Weston, Mass., on March 31, 1904, for which Charles L. Tucker was found guilty, attracted wide attention because of the unusual and mysterious circumstances surrounding the case.

Miss Page, who was forty-one years old, lived in a small country dwelling house with her father, Edward Page, formerly a prosperous Boston merchant, and her brother, Harold. She was stabbed to death with a knife.

On April 1 Tucker was taken to the Newton police station and examined upon the strength of a report that he had been seen near the Page house. On arrival at Boston, Tucker was released, but he was followed by the police as a result of further inquiry by detectives. Tucker was formally charged with the crime.

The government's case against Tucker included the charge that a slip of paper containing the address "J. L. Morton, Charlestown, Mass." found beside the body of Miss Page, was in the handwriting of the defendant, that a stickpin found in his pocket had been stolen from the Page home, and the stolen pieces of the blade found in his home were parts of the knife with which he had stabbed Miss Page.

The evidence against Tucker was



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Governor General Of St. Petersburg

New Post Created Owing to the Recent Outbreaks at the Capital.

Is Given Supreme Control Over the Local Civic Authorities.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 24.—The appointment of Gen. Treppoff, the former chief of police of Moscow, to the governor-generalship of St. Petersburg, was accompanied by an imperial decree announcing the creation of the post of governor-general. The incumbent of this office, the decree states, will be in control of all the departments of administration of the city and government of St. Petersburg, with power to demand the assistance of the city authorities and possessing all the rights of the minister of the interior over appointments to the municipal council and the Zemstvos and also the right to forbid individuals to remain in the city. The decree, which is addressed to the senate, says: "Recent events have shown the necessity for the adoption of measures for the preservation of state institutions and public securities adapted to the extraordinary circumstances of the times. On this account we have considered it necessary to create the office of governor-general of St. Petersburg on the basis of the provisions of the law prescribing the duties of chiefs and governor-general, and of the following regulations:

"First—The city and government of St. Petersburg are placed under the authority of the governor-general. The maintenance of state institutions and public security are at stake all the local civil authorities and all the educational institutions are made subject to the governor-general.

"Third—The governor-general has the right, with the assent of the minister of the interior, to enforce measures sanctioned by article 140 of the censorship statute.

"Fourth—Apart from the right of making obligatory the regulations in accordance with the law providing for stricter maintenance of order, the governor-general will be empowered to issue orders and regulations affecting objects or property of any kind in the interests of public tranquility and order in his jurisdiction; while in cases of violation of the regulations, the penalties and methods of proceeding are prescribed in articles 15 and 16 of the law for the stricter maintenance of order are to be adopted, whereby the governor-general can commission the governor and prefect of St. Petersburg, who are subject to him, to deal with cases.

"Fifth—The governor-general is empowered to summon the civil authorities to support him militarily as soon as he deems it necessary, and forces he considers needful shall be placed at his command.

"The sixth section subordinates to the governor-general all the gendarmes in the administration and railway gendarmes in his official district, as well as the authorities and official persons in the zone, are expropriated for railway purposes as far as police matters are concerned.

Under the seventh section, for police purposes all government factories and workshops in his official districts are subordinated to the governor-general.

Under the eighth section all the rights of the minister of the interior with reference to the confirmation in office of the municipal authorities and Zemstvos in the territory of the St. Petersburg government are transferred to the governor-general.

By the ninth section, the governor-general is empowered to prevent individuals to remain in his official district.

OUTBREAK IN FINLAND.

Thousands of Workmen in Helsingfors Join in Demonstration.

Helsingfors, Finland, Jan. 24.—Thousands of workmen joined in a demonstration here tonight. Assembling on the large steps of the Nicolai cathedral, they paraded the streets till midnight, waving red flags. The windows of public houses, hotels, breweries and a number of newspaper offices were broken. The police were called rather late, arresting fifty of the workmen.

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Fiscal Question In Great Britain

Mr. Asquith Addresses Meeting of Liberal Federation in London

Relations of Colonies to Mother Country Discussed by Mr. Bryce.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, Jan. 24.—Mr. Asquith, speaking last night before the Liberal Federation, said he would like to ask Mr. Balfour the question whether, if returned to office, he would interpret it as giving him authority from those he represented, and speaking on behalf of the United Kingdom at the colonial conference, to propose or accept any scheme which would affect the colonies, or the taxation of foreign imported food. Proceeding to deal with Mr. Chamberlain's recent speech, Mr. Asquith said he felt that he had introduced Mr. Chamberlain to a knowledge of elementary economics. He felt, therefore, that during the twelve months he had not wandered up and down the country in vain. How were we going to remedy the acknowledged ills in our industrial and social condition, Mr. Chamberlain said to all this. In the sacred name of empire, to those who would form the colonial conference he (Asquith) would say, we should keep open any and every possible source of supply, and it was as much their interest as ours that we who bore, and were ready to continue to bear, the main burden of empire, should be free to resort to every resource wherever it might be found, from which we could draw that which was the sustenance of our people, and the life-blood of our national prosperity.

Speaking at Weston-super-mare, Mr. Bryce said the relations of Great Britain to her self-governing colonies would be one of the problems of the next Liberal government. The ministry in which Mr. Chamberlain had been secretary were conscious of the neglected duties and were feeling the people with vague rhetoric about empire. "Empire" by all means, but the best way to strengthen that empire was to increase the happiness of the people on whose physical well-being and intellectual force both the Kingdom and the Empire rested.

Mr. Asquith Chamberlain, at Mosley, said today and tomorrow, but within the lifetime of a generation, we should have to decide either for better or for worse whether we would strive for a closer union with our kindred nations across the seas now growing with the strength of their population, or whether we were to leave them to work out their destiny apart from us. Those who wished the attainment of that closer union must look at this great problem from the point of view of the whole Empire, not merely from an individual point of view.

The Lake Manitoba left for St. John today with about 650 third-class passengers. This is the record for this time of year.

NO DISSOLUTION.

London, Jan. 24.—Home Secretary Asquith, speaking at Dover tonight, announced that the government should be defeated there will be no dissolution of parliament. The government, he said, had no intention of making an appeal to the country till the end of their term of office.

BRITISH SYMPATHY.

War Secretary Expresses Condolence With People of Russia.

London, Jan. 24.—War Secretary Arnold Forster, speaking at Croydon tonight, expressed the sympathy of the people of the United Kingdom with those of Russia. He said he was sure Britons desired the peasants of Russia to enter upon the heritage of liberty and freedom which all Britons enjoyed and obtained through the sacrifices of their forefathers.

WILD STATEMENTS WIRED TO LONDON

Russian Correspondents Give a Lurid Account of Fake Encounters.

London, Jan. 25.—An instance of the wild statements printed here today in the Daily Mail's St. Petersburg despatches, which describe a veritable battle between strikers and troops near Kolpino and a wholesale slaughter of strikers. The Daily Express' St. Petersburg correspondent reports similar scenes of massacre at Radom, and describes General Kuropatkin's army as ripe for revolt.

The Standard's St. Petersburg correspondent says Maxim Gorky narrowly escaped capture, but the Daily Telegraph's correspondent, who was himself arrested but subsequently released, says that Gorky was among those arrested whose only crime consisted in having been members of the delegation that visited M. Witte, president of the council of the empire, after vain attempt to interview Minister of the Interior Sviatopolk-Mirsky. They are all, the correspondent adds, now in a secret section of St. Peter's and St. Paul's fortress.

The Russian embassy here is guarded by two policemen tonight, but this is merely a precaution against a repetition of what is considered as the annoying act of an individual rather than expectation of any demonstration. The detective force of London, however, is closely watching the anarchist quarters. The police say several minor gatherings have been held in these quarters since the receipt of the news from St. Petersburg, and that a big meeting is called for January 29 in a notorious hall in East End to express indignation at what is termed "the St. Petersburg massacre."

The Society of Friends of Free Prussia today decided to raise a fund for the St. Petersburg sufferers. The same society is arranging for a mass meeting on Saturday. It is firmly believed and confidently stated by many Russians in London that the army will quickly become dissatisfied. The Russians say that much depends on Moscow, which is the true centre of the revolutionary spirit, and assert that a declaration of independence will be issued at Moscow, probably at a meeting of social democrats there tomorrow to celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of the foundation of Russia's first university.

THE DAY AT THE FEDERAL CAPITAL

House Considers the Estimates — Dawson Hockey Players Defeated

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 24.—The house was in supply all afternoon.

Premier Laurier announced that Mr. Smart, the deputy minister of the interior, had resigned to better his position.

Mr. Fisher will introduce his bill to provide for a box of standard size to contain apples for export.

The minister of railways has approved the land asked for by the Grand Trunk Pacific for terminals at the south side of Kamistiquia river at Fort William. The transcontinental commission will be required to give its approval.

The Wanderers of Halifax defeated the Klondike hockey team by 3 to 2.

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ENGINE BUILDERS COMBINE.

Paterson, N. J., Jan. 24.—President Hanna of the American locomotive builders announced today that the American Locomotive Co. The announcement had been expected, as it has long been known that a controlling interest had been acquired by the American Locomotive Co.

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

Paris, Jan. 24.—M. Rouvier today presented to President Loubet the full list of members of the new cabinet, as announced in these despatches last night. Laurier, the chief of the cabinet, is called in by members of the new ministry, lengthily going over their programme. Both branches of parliament will be convened Friday when M. Rouvier will outline his plans.

WATCHING DEVELOPMENTS.

Tokio, Jan. 24.—The Japanese are keenly watching the developments at St. Petersburg. The newspapers publishing extracts with accounts of the riots are eagerly read. The people were shocked at the death roll and there is a widespread feeling that the bureau-cracy will be powerless to stop the tide of revolution and that a downfall of the bureaucratic system must end the war. A member of a foreign legation said: "The war is over unless the Russian people are crushed under the Russian hand. It has brought about a crisis. The Japanese are now fighting the battle of the Russian people."

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 24.—All hopes of rescuing two miners, who were entombed last night at Mount Hope colliery, has been abandoned. A push of coal imprisoned three miners in the colliery, but after working for several hours one of the men was rescued. It is thought the other two were crushed to death.

The body of John Bodski, one of the entombed miners at Mount Hope colliery was recovered tonight. His companion's body was recovered several hours earlier. The rescuing party made a determined effort to reach Bodski, and had partly uncovered him when still living, but another fall of coal happened at the moment and the rescuers were compelled to flee with Bodski's dying words ringing in their ears.

CORONER INDICTED.

New York, Jan. 24.—An indictment charging attempted bribery was returned by the grand jury today against Coroner Moses Jackson, of the city board of coroners. Jackson was arrested several days ago by a representative of the district attorney's office on complaint of District Attorney Chadwick. He had been held in \$500 bail, but after the indictment was reported today the amount was increased to \$2,500.

ACCEPTED A BRIBE.

New York, Jan. 24.—Charged with having accepted a bribe to permit a Chinaman to enter the United States at New Orleans, Geo. Sladovitch, an immigration inspector at Ellis Island, was arrested today and held in \$1,000 bail for examination by U. S. Commissioner Shields. The prisoner pleaded "not guilty" when arraigned today. Sladovitch was transferred from New Orleans to Ellis Island five months ago.

SMOOT INVESTIGATION.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Frank B. Stephens, of Salt Lake City, in the Smoot investigation today in response to Chairman Burrows' question regarding polygamous inhabitants, said that he thought President Smith ought to be prosecuted because of the example he set in the highest terms, but thought his apostleship handicapped him, because the people don't want the church in politics. Nearly every senator participated in the cross-examination for the purpose of satisfying themselves concerning any matters on which they remained in doubt. Mr. Stephens answered all the questions with frankness. This course of examination was being pursued when recess was taken.

U. S. INVITED TO AID DOMINICA

Government Formally Asked to Assist in the Affairs of Island.

Washington, Jan. 23.—After a consultation with United States Secretary of State Hay, the following statement regarding the situation in Santo Domingo was issued by Assistant Secretary Loomie:

"The Dominican republic has formally and freely invited the government of the United States to assist in the administration of its customs revenues, and to aid it in establishing its fiscal system upon a firm and businesslike basis.

"The government of the United States having been repeatedly and emphatically informed by more than one of the great powers that it ought either to try to establish order out of the financial chaos in the Dominican republic, or to assist to certain European creditors of that republic doing this, and to the administration of the Dominican custom houses by them, supported by their warships, has deemed it advisable to accept the invitation of the Dominican government, and, therefore, representatives of the American government and of Santo Domingo have signed the memorandum of a proposed agreement looking to the American control of Dominican fiscal affairs, upon the request and with the consent of the Dominican government.

"The United States proposes to guarantee the territorial integrity of the republic.

"It is not the purpose of this government to assume a protectorate over Santo Domingo or to interfere with or participate in its domestic affairs, or to interfere with the collection of its customs revenues, the necessary revision of its tariff laws, and the adjustment of its former claims and its economic and fiscal organization on a sound basis, may make it essential to do.

"The government of the United States does not guarantee the debts of Santo Domingo or agree to provide for the payment of them, but only promises to try to organize and adjust the fiscal administration of the country that in time the Dominican government will be able to take possession of the four principal ports on the northern side of the island, and under the award the fiscal agent appointed by the United States is now in possession of the Puerta Plata custom house. The Dominican government has been in possession of Santo Domingo more than once in the last decade has brought to the United States government questions fraught with imminent peril. The government of the United States could not, without self-respect, allow the impression to deepen and gain currency that the Monroe doctrine can be used as a shield by American republics to deny justice to other governments. Many foreign claims are just, but in other cases the Dominican government has been compelled by force to pay grossly exorbitant claims.

"Another deplorable feature of the financial situation in Santo Domingo is that her revenues have been crippled by granting, for a long, valuable concessions, which were exempted by stipulation from all taxation. Her interests have compelled the government to disregard these promises of exemption from taxation, and this has resulted in numerous bankruptcies and increasing appeals to the department of state for aid.

"The Dominican government itself reached the conclusion that its only hope of escape from bankruptcy was through the assistance of the United States government in the reorganization of its finance."

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ABOUT ELLIS RANCH PROJECT

A Second Payment of \$50,000 Was Made at Vernon on Monday.

On Monday last another step was taken towards the consummation of the Ellis ranch deal, when the Shattford project was made a reality. A second payment of \$50,000 to Thomas Ellis, the owner of the splendid property, which extends to the south about sixty miles and embraces thousands of acres of the most promising fruit land in British Columbia, says the Vernon News.

A most encouraging point in connection with the financing of this great development project is the fact that a number of the capitalists who have gone into the scheme are men of standing in the commercial and industrial world who are not likely to confine their Okanagan enterprise to the holding of a few shares in the original company. Indeed, it is not unlikely that they will readily appreciate the opportunities offered for investment in the new field, and be far from backward in furnishing the capital necessary to start flourishing industries. The fact that the water power furnished by Okanagan Falls is practically limitless will also tend to facilitate the building up of important industries.

It is certain that the cutting up and sale of the Ellis ranch will have a very beneficial effect upon the Similkameen. But the advantages will be more than local, and there is no doubt that the success of this great scheme, backed as it is very largely by Eastern capital, will go a long way towards restoring the confidence of Eastern financiers in British Columbia enterprises.

The Messrs. Shattford will personally take charge of the management of the estate. It may be said in this connection that confidence in the ability and conservative business methods of these gentlemen has been no small factor in securing the financial support they have received.

The Pentleton end of the estate will be immediately surveyed into ten-acre blocks and put on the market. Two townships will be laid out, one at Nine Mile Point and one at Pentleton.

Costello-Kearney. The marriage of Mr. F. R. Costello to Mrs. M. Kearney of Seattle was celebrated at St. Paul's manse on Monday last, Rev. D. MacTae being the officiating minister.

Losing Ground

Not So Strong and Hearty As You Used To Be—If So There is a Good Cause.

Perhaps you don't understand why you are growing thinner and weaker, why that "old man" feeling, and drowsiness keeps dragging you down; why life is robbed of its old-time interest and happiness. Your appetite is probably keen enough, but still food does you no good. For some time you have felt this stagnant condition within the body, but now it's growing worse.

This "all-zone" feeling is in evidence at several things. In the first place you don't assimilate your food properly. The body is poorly nourished. The blood is thin and watery, lacks those red corpuscles that denote strength and vitality. In this condition you are exposed to the danger of complete collapse, which can only be prevented by building up all the powers of the body with Ferrozone. This is how Ferrozone will make you well:

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Duncan	11:40	10:00	Duncan	5:40
Ladysmith	12:57	9:40	Ladysmith	6:50
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo	6:42
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The Eccentric Little Mackerel

Something About Gamey Blue-back and His Habits of Life and Death.

Fish That Mackerel Eats and Fish That Eats Him—Some Statistics.

Suggestion was conveyed by a little anecdotal passage in the other day that if the December Scumbrus, the Chub, the Frigate, and others of the great mackerel family, should seriously invade the shores of Vancouver Island, butlers might beware. This gamey little fish was pictured as a most voracious creature; capable of attacking with relish the flesh of an at-least-swimmer, causing great bodily discomfort, not to say deterioration.

Against any such libel as this the records of the little mackerel argue in protest. While many an innocent shrimp, lazy jelly fish, baby herring and even fry of their own species, have contributed to the mackerel's inward growth, towards making him a fish, and not the embodiment of a voracious fish, and of rare good sport in the catching.

Like some others of the family tribe, the mackerel is a thing of mystery. His migrations and habits have enjoyed the rivalry of learned ichthyologists, each pretending to know more about him and them than the other, and none knowing much that another can't rake up a controversy over.

Sufficient to say that he abounds most plentifully on the east and west coasts of the Atlantic, between the latitudes of 35 deg. and 50 deg. in the one case, and 36 deg. and 71 deg. in the other. He comes and goes in these waters as his fancy lists, and occasionally varies his migrations by disappearing altogether, for long periods, and then bobbing up again.

Some years ago the Bay of Fundy was one of his pet stamping grounds, as many as twelve vessels from Eastport, besides others from New Brunswick, and Nova Scotia, being engaged in his capturing. Now he has so completely disappeared from these haunts as not to form an item in the routine of the fishery, so he goes on fooling the fishermen and keeping the experts guessing.

The mackerel is taken with seines. He travels sometimes as much as a million barrels in a pack, and sometimes in droves of lesser degree. He frisks and disports himself in the water, and the peculiarities of his presence has gladdened the sight of many a half-frozen fisherman, stretched along the rocky coasts of the Nova Scotia coast. Bear witness, any mackerel men without reading of this fragmentary record!

It is not to be thought of the mackerel, as some think of him, as a big cousin of the salmon of this coast, that when he took a freak not to show up for awhile, he was gone entirely, and would never come back. Away back in 1670, before the genus of the mackerel was well understood, laws were passed for his protection.

It expects know anything today, it is that the mackerel is perfectly eligible to take care of himself. To put it in the language of the learned on the subject: "The periods of their abundance and scarcity, alternating in what is called reference to over-fishing or any other cause, which we are prepared to understand."

It is not suggested above that the mackerel is a "strutted moral" fish. True, he devours his kind, and is therefore not devoid of cannibalistic tendencies, but then this is about as far as the mackerel in his turn is destroyed by the "gannet," a bird of the air, and is swallowed in companies by the porpoise, the herring and the whale, which jump him down in great bunches. E. G., on the solemn word of a high official, the mackerel is not because of the leanings of his appetite, was one time stranded in Halifax bay, and several barrels of mackerel were taken from his cavernous department of the interior.

In conclusion, welcome to the mackerel, should he ever strike these shores in numbers. For why the following statistics will show:

The New England catch in 1885 was 330,000 barrels, and the average for the seasons ending in that year was 300,000 barrels. In 1886 it dropped to 80,000 barrels, and in the succeeding ten years it amounted to only 481,000 barrels. The catch landed at Boston and Gloucester amounted to 8,889,294 lbs. fresh, valued at \$389,922, and 13,965,509 salted, valued at \$837,743.

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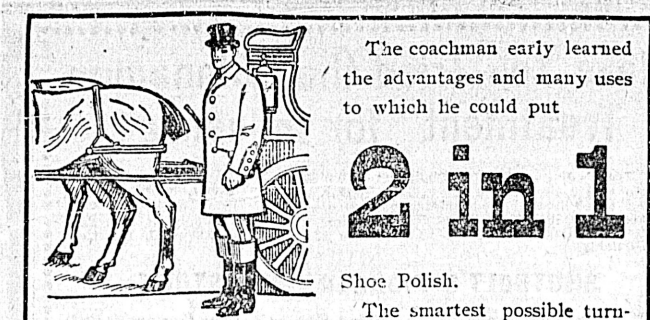
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Clash Between B. C. Telephone Company and the Town of Fernie.

A big row is on between the British Columbia Telephone Company, on the one side, and the city council and citizens of Fernie, B. C., on the other. The telephone company wishes to do business in the Crown's Nest town. The citizens of the place are in favor of municipal ownership, and are trying to drive the company out. In several instances, the company has been granted by Mr. Justice Morrison, ex parte. It orders that for a period of two weeks the people of Fernie must not interfere with the business of the telephone company. When the news was received in Fernie that an injunction had been issued, quite a commotion occurred. Early in the day Mr. Hodge, the telephone company's superintendent at Fernie, had been hauled up in police court and fined \$100 and costs for causing a disturbance in the streets by dragging poles for telephone poles. Just after 4 o'clock he received a wire from General Superintendent Kent in Vancouver that the injunction had been issued, and instructing him to return to work. This he did with a gasp of astonishment, and having the police arrested Hodge and another man and began to fill in the holes.

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THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

It is said that Louis XVI, upon hearing of the fall of the Bastille, exclaimed to his courtiers, "It is a revolt, then." "Nay, sire," replied the Duke of Liancourt, "it is a revolution." Events have not sufficiently developed in Russia yet to say whether they mean simply a revolt, or will lead to a revolution. They are serious enough to lead to any conclusion. It depends upon the headway they get. After they reach the point where the whole of the nation loses confidence in the good faith of the Government and its power to stem disorder, they must run their course, trusting to the guiding hand of Providence or the vagaries of blind chance as to results. Says one writer, there is no human force which can arrest a national conflagration when once it is kindled; only on its ashes can a new structure arise, and this only after long and laborious efforts and humiliating disappointments. France might have been saved at the critical moment had it had a strong hand at the helm and the sinews of war. It had neither. Louis XVI was a good young man, without the vices or faults of his time, but modest and timid; a gentleman, but no ruler. He was surrounded by incompetent ministers and bad advisers, who distrusted the people and had no sympathy with their wrongs. There were able and strong men among them, but jealousy of each other, lack of patriotism, and the corruption that was rampant left them unable to cohere in any attempt to grapple with the situation. Many at the present time are drawing parallels between France in the early days of the Revolution and Russia now. There are many points of similarity, although through the lapse of time and the altered conditions comparison as a whole is hardly possible. Like France at that time, Russia is ruled by a weak, vacillating and irresolute monarch; that at least is the general impression concerning him. It is almost as impossible to get behind the scenes at St. Petersburg as it is in the royal household in China. There are various estimates of the Czar's character. It is not even definitely known whether personally he possesses the virtues of Louis XVI, who was mild, temperate, singularly free from vices and well-intentioned. The best sources of information justify the belief that he is a man of small mind and of mediocre ability, easily influenced by the advice of his favorites, but strangely led by caprice to act on his own initiative. A man who is weak when he should be strong, and obstinate and ungovernable in matters upon which he should take the advice of others is an impossibility in a crisis. He, like Louis XVI, is surrounded by a class of men corresponding to the notables of France, who constitute officially or unofficially his advisers. These make up a coterie of nobility who, directly or indirectly, influence the policy of the Government. Like the court favorites who haunted the palace of Versailles, they are corrupt, they are incapable, through jealousy of each other and lack of true patriotism, of uniting at a crisis like the present and assisting the Czar in formulating a wise policy of either conciliation or firm resistance. They have no sympathy with the wrongs or the sufferings of the mass of the people, and they stand between the ruler and them, so that he can neither see nor understand their wants. They are part of the system that has prevailed for hundreds of years and upon which they have fattened. The parallel is in many respects complete. On the other hand, Russia, though the treasury is not in a healthy condition, is not in the position of bankruptcy in which France was; the army is not demoralized; and there are many strong men of ability and experience in the ranks of the nobility. The power of resistance to mob law or a general uprising is infinitely greater than it was in France prior to the Revolution. It is true that Russia has a mighty war on her hands at the same time, but she has immense resources, and she has many outlying subjects, like the Cossacks, who are little affected by theories of government, and dearly love fighting. It all depends, as we have said, upon the extent to which revolutionary sympathies have extended, and how far the army is affected by it, as to how successful the present revolt will be. In its preliminary stages it can get beyond the power of the authorities to promptly and effectively cope with it, then it is likely to end in a national conflagration, the outcome of which no man can predict. Even, however, if temporarily quelled, the fires of insurrection and revolution will simply smoulder, to burst out again at a more opportune moment. The absolutism of Russia in the midst of civilized nations with responsible government and free institutions, is an astounding anachronism, and if not now, some time in the near future, her people are bound to rise as one man and strike off the shackles which have bound them. The process of enfranchisement may be a fiery one, as it was in France, but after it is completed never again, as there never was in France, will there be an attempt "to restore feudalism, or unequal privileges, or arbitrary taxation." Historians agree that three events of pre-eminent importance have occurred in modern times to entirely alter or greatly change the trend of history. They are the Reformation, the American War of Independence and the French Revolution. The fourth undoubtedly will be the Russian Revolution. Regenerated, a great nation like Russia would exercise a wonderful influence for good on the destinies of two continents. We look in the transformation for the rise of remarkable and unexpected men, such as the French Revolution, of which Napoleon himself was a product—men like Mirabeau, who first applied the torch, Abbe Sieyès, Lafayette, Marat, Talleyrand and Robespierre and many others. Who knows but, as the opportunities

make men, that the present crises will bring to the fore characters like Napoleon and some of the others mentioned, now unknown, about whom speculation in literature and history will be busy for the rest of the century and for centuries to come.

THE SHUSWAP AND OKANAGAN RAILWAY.

There is a great deal of dissatisfaction expressed throughout the Okanagan Valley at the inadequate service rendered by the Shuswap & Okanagan Railway. In fact, the service has become a serious grievance—the only grievance in a district where otherwise everything is lovely, and "the goose hangs high." Representations have been made to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. with apparently no satisfaction. The officials of that Company have stated that the traffic in and out of the district is not sufficient to maintain a regular daily service, and that they cannot be expected to run trains at a loss. For the alleged inadequacy of the service they are being scored by the Interior papers. An effort is being made by the Liberal papers to fasten the responsibility upon the McBride Government. As the S. & O. was financed by the Province, it is argued that it lies in the hands of the local administration to enforce a better service. If a tornado should sweep the beautiful land of the Okanagan, or if by chance the moon should cease to shine upon it it would be all on account of the "weak, incompetent and discredited" Government we have across the Bay. Premier McBride would be slated for not having a stronger pull with that Providence, which, it is alleged, shines so brightly upon Sir Wilfrid. It happens, however, in the case of the Shuswap & Okanagan Railway that it is entirely in the hands of the Dominion Government. Now, we do not say that the Dominion Government is to blame for an inadequate service; but we do say that it is the only power that can exercise any supervision over lines of railway that have been declared by that Government to be for the benefit of Canada. It is one of the anomalies of our constitution that a Province may assist and practically build a railway, and even own it, and the Dominion Government may step in and assume control. The Province guaranteed the bonds of the Shuswap & Okanagan Railway, but as the Dominion Government assisted, that line has been declared to exist for the general benefit of Canada, and, consequently, is under control of the Dominion authorities. As there cannot be two bodies in authority at once the Province has nothing to say in the matter at all. So that those kind Liberal friends who have been advising the settlers in the Okanagan to "go after" McBride with a sharp stick had better turn their attention to Ottawa.

However, while the much maligned McBride Government has no authority in the premises, we believe the turn of events before long will show that it has not been unkindful of the interests of the settlers of the Okanagan in relation to transportation facilities provided by the C. P. R., and that if they have patience for a short time they will have a much better service than they have now. It is not, we feel sure, part of the policy of the C. P. R. to cripple the resources of a district in which it is so largely interested, and we look to the near future to see matters in this respect very much improved. Therefore, we should advise our excellent contemporaries, the Vernon News, the Edmondopolis of Enderby, the Armstrong Advertiser, and the Kelowna Clarion to "hold their horses" for a bit.

HITTING BELOW THE BELT.

Possibly, having in view the political ideals which are in vogue, no one would object seriously to the effort of the Opposition to make political capital out of the Songhees Indian Reserve question. Everyone is aware that much of the agitation in connection with this question has been for partizan purposes. Some are no doubt sincere; others are using it as a political stalking horse, and hence they are not taken as seriously as they might otherwise be. But even a political weapon should be used fairly. A prize fight is not without its merits. It is, however, considered beneath the manly art to hit "below the belt." Most persons, whether friends or foes of the McBride Government, will agree that the Times was guilty of this offence editorially last evening, when it remarked: "A very convenient legal opinion has been obtained that will fit in admirably as an excuse for the indefinite postponement of action." The Mayor, being a gentleman of a distinctly legal turn of mind, and being also extremely desirous of saving his friend at the head of the administration any unnecessary worry and trouble at this critical juncture, has accepted of the legal opinion, which is, in fact, a mere evasion, and has accordingly refused to take any action on the part of the chief magistrate of the city.

Such language cannot be justified by any code of ethics. To insinuate that the Mayor induced the City Barrister to give a bogus opinion for the purpose of blocking progress in the settlement of the question is not only gratuitously insulting and in spirit wholly unwelcome, but it is in itself a contemptible act in the extreme. The honorable method of dealing with an opinion of that kind, if it is not in accordance with the views of the editor or those for whom he speaks, is to show that it is wrong. If the lay mind cannot discover its defects, then it should be possible to get other legal opinion on the subject. Mr. Taylor gave his opinion, not only in a professional but in a public capacity, and to insinuate that it was for a blind eye, going beyond the bounds of decency. It is an imputation of his professional honesty, and an unwarranted reflection on the motives of Mayor Barnard.

The City Council, in a general way, we believe, has acted wisely in appointing an expert to report upon the several sources of supply for the proposed improvements of the waterworks. We believe, however, it will be found to be a more expensive method than the one recommended by the Colonist and productive of no better results. There are engineers in British Columbia fully capable of ascertaining all the physical data necessary in connection with the several systems and sources that may be in view for a preliminary report. There are also men of high standing and experience in the construction of waterworks. To pay an expert for work of that kind is to pay fancy prices, for the ordinary work of a hydraulic engineer, which is not required. What is required is the report of an expert upon the data thus acquired with a recommendation as to the system to adopt. We believe in utilizing the services of our own people wherever possible. However, what the

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ratepayers are most interested in is getting the best advice possible in determining what should be done in the case of all undertakings to cost so much money. If the scheme proves to be a success there will be little disposition to grumble at the expense involved in the way of preliminaries.

The Nelson Tribune, edited by Mr. John Houston, M. P., mayor of Nelson, is not usually expected to be favorable to the "Joly-McBride Government," as it styles the present administration, and while it thinks the Government acted hastily in passing the Assessment Act, and unwisely thereafter in connection with the same matter, but because of that it does not think there is "reason for the people of Kootenay endorsing the unwise and foolish utterances of a few self-styled mining men, who meet from time to time and write themselves down what they really are: narrow, self-opinionated, intolerant, bigoted, incompetent marplotts," and in order to add insult to injury, it adds: "If mining in British Columbia is under a cloud today, these men are, in the main, responsible for it." The Tribune has in mind that its editor got no support from that class of men when in the Legislature he endeavored to get amended and now your own local paper, the Nelson Tribune, is doing the same thing. The Tribune says "it is not giving advice to the Government these days, but if it were it would advise that Government to put little heed to the clamor of these men and pay more heed to men who are actually working mines themselves. Those who have been denouncing the two per cent. have apparently few friends just now."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

ON DIT.

Sir—It was indeed a surprise, to say the very least, to a great many citizens to hear of Mayor Barnard's proposal to adopt the Tourist Association. One's opinion of the Mayor's sagacity and critical acumen has indeed received a rude shock.

Let us first of all pass that if the city has any money to spare, a decent salary for the librarian is very much needed. Think of it, O ye shades of literature! The city has a library, and yet no librarian. Who said the post was a soft snap? Here are some of the reasons why the city should not adopt the Tourist Association, and how it benefits a small number of the citizens.

1. That these men are well able to pay for the luxury life, the superior life, the life of the city, and yet they are not. That the city is taxed quite enough already.

2. That there will be additional taxes soon to meet the various expenses of the city, and that we will be taxed for the Carnegie library.

3. That the C. P. R. will find it will do interest to locate their headquarters in the city, and will do it.

Now, sir, in submitting the above reasons, I am not, I have left the most potent one, namely, that the new water scheme, whatever it is, will bring ruin to the city, and ruin to the city. Like many others, I have nothing but commendation for the way the Tourist Association has hitherto been managed, and I have no fault to find with that way should be departed from.

CITIZEN.

SONGHEES RESERVE AND THE CITY.

Sir—Replying to your leader of the 22nd, your contention throughout bears on the opening of the reserve with no consideration of the city's interests.

The reserve is not so much concerned in the method of removal, as in that it be brought about without more delay, and that the best interests of the city be conserved in the future ownership thereof.

The legal opinion submitted by the Mayor, in which there is no mention of the city's interests, is in its obtaining a share in the settlement. It is a legal incubus, which, put in a business light, means that the city must be formally notified by both houses of the city council, a simple matter when all parties have come to a satisfactory arrangement. It is this very arrangement that the city may interest itself in.

As to the Indians signing away the rights of their descendants, it is beyond question that they are the wards of the Dominion government, and "cannot come of age," their control and well-being is vested absolute in the said government. Legally, therefore, they are not competent for moral reasons should be obtained.

Mr. Luggin's find throws no new light on the city's side of the question. The Songhees are on the east side of the bay. The reasons why they were "persuaded" to move on to the reservation, and that they have been there at times (this was before the rights of the Indians became sacred), they were then so numerous as to menace the safety of the town. Governor Douglas was obliged to assure them they would not be again "persuaded" to move, before they would consent. At that time there were at times some thousands of Indians and 100 whites in Victoria, and no white settlement between the harbor and Esquimalt station. Sir James Douglas was not a blind eye, he was a man of vision, and he saw the danger of those times—what power or right had he to bind us with such legislation? The power that binds us is bound to be the same as the power that binds the equally famous Pioneer drug store, which is now hanging up the welfare of a city—aye, and of the few Indians themselves—for so many years on such trumpery legal and political grounds as the United States, that would tolerate being divided for years, or even one year, by an Indian reservation of some 100 acres in the very heart of it.

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There is a wild and wicked report and a libelous circular being quietly and slyly shown, which Mr. Prinz will be glad to see and to know the name and address of the printer of such circular. Victoria, B. C.

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None but a lunatic or a hopelessly insane man would do that. And should we cram the children with food far beyond their capacity of digestion?

None but a lunatic would do that either.

What are we doing at the present day with our system of improper education? Cramming the children with so many different subjects that they have become chronically dyspeptic, and when they leave school, the merchants complain that the boys can neither read nor write as well as they did when the old system of education was in vogue.

By all means give a good, sound education to both girls and boys, but do so carefully and give physical education too; develop the mind and body equally.

Have the girls instructed in cooking, dairy work and dressmaking, and the boys in carpentering and gardening, and when they leave school, the merchants complain that the boys can neither read nor write as well as they did when the old system of education was in vogue.

Then, too, as stated in the article, the education of the present day brings with it a great disaster for material work. Nature in a child under fourteen years of age, that child will not grow up to love hard work. Far from it; he will, when given manual work to do, be utterly unfit for it, simply because his muscles are weak and flabby.

No, the boy will rather live by his wits, or be a clerk, a soldier or a policeman, than do manual work. Do not stulticate him with the crudities (as he thinks) of a farm.

And the girl? Why, she will be a school teacher or a typewriter, or else she will be a shop girl and end her life in a dreary, dull counter, in her trim and pretty attire, which she could never wear without doing domestic work either in a town or farm house.

At what a cost is all this? Is it from the cities that we get our finest and strongest men and women? Do not stulticate them! Let their families confined solely to town life for four generations die out, unless country blood is introduced? Will not this be a disaster for the country? Is it not life in the country upon the farms and ranches? What is the result of improper education in England and in the United States? Has not improper education caused some of the rural districts to become almost depopulated? And farmers find it a most difficult matter to get sufficient men to work the farms. Could not some system be arranged so that the mind and body are equally considered; so that boys and girls grow up into men and women of splendid physique, and of good, sound education, too?

J. S. MUI says: "Human nature is not a machine, to be built after a model and set to do exactly the work prescribed for it; but a tree, which requires to grow and develop itself on all sides according to the tendencies of the inward forces which make it a living thing."

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Thursday Club.—The Thursday Club will meet as usual in Assembly hall tomorrow evening.
Police Commissioners.—It is expected that the new police commissioners for the city of Victoria will be named by the government today and their appointments gazetted in tomorrow's issue of the official journal.

Case Dismissed.—In the Police court, after numerous remands, Magistrate Hall dismissed the case against Harry Maynard, the charge, which was preferred by C. A. Harrison, of the Hotel Driad, being that Maynard had used recent language and had threatened him.

Mr. Gowen on "Dante."—A most interesting and profitable lecture on "Dante" by Rev. H. H. Gowen, of Seattle, was delivered at the Driad hotel yesterday afternoon. The lecture was given under the auspices of the Tuesday Club, and was attended by a large number of ladies and gentlemen. In the evening Rev. Mr. Gowen spoke on Shakespeare before a large company.

Saved Head Tax.—Among the Chinese passengers on the Empress of Japan was one who had been booked to sail on the previous Empress, but who effected his escape from the Vancouver detention shed. By his capture the C. P. R. was saved from paying the \$500 head tax, as the Chinik was "in bond," and the company was responsible for his departure from Canada.

Annual Dinner.—The sixth annual dinner of the Yorkshire Society of British Columbia will be held at the Royal Hotel and Cafe this evening at 8 o'clock, for which an excellent programme has been arranged. Previous to the dinner the members of the society will be held and officers elected for the ensuing year. A merry time is anticipated and it is likely there will be a very large attendance.

Atlin Miner's Death.—At Vancouver on Monday afternoon the death occurred very suddenly of Wm. J. Stockand, a miner, his demise being due to heart disease. Mr. Stockand was 34 years of age and unmarried. His health being bad, he had come down from Atlin to stay with his cousin, Mr. Beatty. He was a son of Mr. George Stockand, a contractor in Ottawa, and leaves a brother and sister besides to mourn his loss.

Needs Attention.—Complaint is general of the condition of the two sidewalks across the James Bay causeway and the crossings at the southern end. During the past few days the walks have been simply swimming in mud, and to the disgust of pedestrians. A suggestion is made that a sweeper should be employed constantly, as during the wet season there is need of such attention. Traffic is large across the causeway and the existence of muddy walks constitutes a distinctly bad advertisement for the city.

Modern Fire Escapes.—Instructions have been received from the owners of the Balmoral hotel property, in England, that that popular house be forthwith equipped with modern fire escapes on the stairway principle, and a contract has already been awarded. It should be recognized by all hotel proprietors that modern fire escapes are a most essential factor in their equipment. The modern fire escape is a thing of common sense. The law also demands them—although the enforcement of the law at times is woefully slack.

Bogus Certificates.—The secret agents of the United States treasury department are investigating the use of the thriving industry which for a time flourished in this city, of furnishing bogus certificates of residence to Chinese desirous of gaining entry to the United States. The photo-engraving process was utilized, and the work was so good that it would never have been challenged. The first detachment of sleuths sent here to convict the forgers made something of a mess of their assignment, and now it is stated that a second brigade is en route from Washington, under sealed orders, of course.

News From Herschel.—Herschel Island is far removed from the more thickly settled world, and news is received from there seldom. A Dawson dispatch gives the news that a Webber arrived at Nome November 19 from a prospecting expedition to Herschel Island, bringing the first advices from that northerly Arctic port in many months. He reports whalers at Bowditch and Kaktovik, and one whaler wintering around Herschel. All is quiet there. Webber prospected the Arctic coast for gold, but found no trace. He gives it as his opinion that there is no gold along that coast.

Northern Steamship Arrangements.—Messrs. B. W. Greer and B. J. Coyle, of the traffic and passenger departments of the C. P. R., arrived from Seattle yesterday, where they represented their company at the annual meeting of the Alaska Steamship Association. This association embraces beside the C. P. R., the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., and the Humboldt Steamship Co. The chief business discussed was the winter rates, schedules, etc., appertaining to next season's business. As a result of deliberations it was decided to leave the rates unaltered. The shipping to be engaged in the traffic will be practically the same as last year.

Not "Stage Robbery."—Miss Louise Allen, who in private life is Mrs. William Collier, was robbed some time Friday evening. Of course, it was in Seattle. It was not one of those press-agent robberies of which actresses are so often the victims, but a "straight" robbery. The ring is set with a turquoise and six diamonds. The ring which was lost was missed when Mrs. Collier returned to her rooms in the Butler Friday night after the performance of "The Dictator." Next morning the only valuable notified of the affair. When Mrs. Collier left the Butler Friday evening to go to the Grand at 7:30 o'clock she left her ring on her dresser. During her absence the ring disappeared. No one is known to have been in the room during the absence of Mrs. Collier and the disappearance of the ring is something of a mystery.

WESTERN OIL FIELDS.
New Machinery Purchased and Will Be Installed This Winter.

Last Thursday there was unloaded at Pincher Creek, Alberta, a standard oil boring rig of the type made by the company of boring a 12-inch hole to a depth of 3,500 feet, and is the first rig of this class to be installed in Western Canada. It will be transferred by wagon to the South Kootenay pass and will be used in the oil fields there. —Winnipeg Telegram.

TAILOR'S SHOP BURGLARIZED.
Establishment of J. McCorkill, Broad Street, Entered—Cloth Stolen.

The tailor's shop of J. McCorkill, on Broad street, has been burglarized. The fact was made known when the premises of the tailor were opened yesterday morning. Then he found a quantity of cloth missing and a hole, eleven inches in diameter, in the back wall, to show where a small man had entered to steal the cloth. The thief, evidently aided by an accomplice, had gained entry from the rear window, and had taken much of his loot from the show window. Several suit lengths were taken from the window and two from the counter. The boards were removed and left. The thief, too, evidently was a judge of the material, for he took the best pieces of cloth to be found in the store.

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Rev. Mr. Antle's Mission to a Rugged and Deserving Class

Rev. L. Norman Tucker, organizing secretary of the Missionary Society of the Canadian Church, delivered an address at the cathedral school yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and in the evening at eight met the members of the mission board and the churchwardens and church committees of the parishes for conference as to the work. Rev. J. Antle who is visiting the city in connection with the work of the society, also spoke.

Considerable criticism has been laid upon the church for so much of its solicitude is given to foreign fields while derelict subjects for missionary endeavor are neglected in our midst. Perhaps there are none more deserving of the kindly consideration of those who go about doing good than that hardy class of toilers who labor in the forests of the province. In the life they lead with its isolation and its vicissitudes, there is much excuse for the recklessness which is characteristic of this class. A good hearted, noble minded man, with the keenest sense of the respect and good will of all who appreciate the manhood of this province.

Schemes of practical philanthropy among the loggers of the Pacific Coast have been tried for some years past. Nothing tangible resulted, however, until last year, when Rev. Mr. Antle made a trip in a small boat, visiting all the various camps along the coast, under the most difficult conditions, and coming in personal contact with the men. His project—the scheme of the missionary society—is, in brief, to establish a circulating library for the use of the loggers, and what is most important, to establish a floating hospital, to minister to their physical needs.

The mission ship will have a hospital on board, and accessories for giving first aid to the injured. It will, in a word, serve as a sort of ambulance to the cottage hospital, the construction of which at Rock Bay, is part of the mission scheme. The hospital will be entirely under the control of the Victorian Order of Nurses.

This little ship of mercy is to be built at the Antle, Mr. Antle, who is organizing for a tug master's license, and is taking lectures on "first aid" to equip himself for the work. Arrangements are being made with a quickness to become a member of the crew, so that injured men will have the advantage of quick and skillful attention.

The district which will be patrolled by the Antle, as some of the loggers have named the little steamer in advance, lies between the north of Texada Island and south of Alert Bay. In this great lumbering territory there are at least 3,000 loggers employed, and those familiar with the dangers of their occupation, and their susceptibility to injury and suffering, will appreciate the need for such a work as that about to be undertaken. There is scarcely a boat arriving at Vancouver that does not bring some loggers to the hospital who have lain in protracted suffering, or perchance the body of a poor fellow who has died of his injuries, and who has been far at least as the district contemplated is concerned, this will be happily changed in the future, and the loggers will have the blessings of quick attention in the time of need.

The missionary meeting at the cathedral school yesterday, presided over by the bishop, was largely attended and specially dealt with the pressing question of the numbers of immigrants that have poured into the Northwest. A large proportion of the \$90,000 that has been raised during the past year has been devoted to the stipends necessary for the additional clergy in the Northwest. The work of the Woman's Auxiliary is to help in building and furnishing the churches. The real need was drawn the ideal of their becoming missionaries. Rev. Mr. Antle followed with an account of the needs of the Columbia Coast Mission to the loggers camps on the north of Vancouver Island. Mr. Antle appealed for furniture for the boat and the hospital cot which will be a feature of the work. A hospital ship, he said, is one of the truest and best ways of doing good. The report was most cheering, and the meeting closed with the doxology and benediction.

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SPORTING NEWS.

THE GUN.

Pleasant Outing.

A party of enthusiastic Victoria sportsmen have just returned from Discovery Island, where they enjoyed some splendid duck hunting. They made the trip on the steamer Shamrock, and Lew Smith, who is quite a noted duck hunter, proved the most successful sportsman. He secured 45 ducks, and his success was partly due to the fact that he took with him a regular duck boat, covered with grass. The party had four boats, and they secured over 300 ducks, principally wild geese, bluebirds and mallards. Each man averaged about 100 shots, and only the good ducks were brought back and placed on count. Among the sportsmen were Messrs. W. West, P. K. Welch, J. M. Robertson, Patton, Beck, W. R. Ridd, P. Clarke, Newblazing, Gull, Shaw, Grace, Smith, McGary and others. Percy Welch made some extraordinarily long shots and Johnny Robertson's gun appeared to scatter badly. The same party and a number of other enthusiasts will make another trip in about two weeks' time.

There is good shooting at Saanich arm, a number of wild geese and mallards having been secured near the mouth of Goldstream. Good bags have also been reported from Wright's bay in Sooke harbor.

THE RING.

Tomorrow's Bout.

The 20-round boxing contest between Collie Hill, the pride of Victoria, and Kid Smith has aroused keen interest, and when the men step into the ring tomorrow night one of the fastest and most stubbornly contested contests ever witnessed here is expected. Hill has improved wonderfully, and as he is in perfect condition, he will make Smith hustle to beat him. If the bout is not satisfactory to the referee, the proceeds will go to some local charitable institution, and this is a guarantee that the boys mean to do their best. Kid Smith reminds one of the redoubtable little Caesar Attell, who made such a good record here. Smith has the same clever footwork and ring generalship, and lovers of the pugilistic art have a treat in store when he faces Hill. A splendid vaudeville programme will be put on during the earlier part of the evening, and anyone attending will be thoroughly satisfied. Bobby Johnson is expected to meet the winner of this contest.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

The Celtics and Shamrocks of Vancouver having tied in the mainland league, the deciding game for the honor of meeting the Island team will be played at Brockton Point next Saturday. The appended comparison of the work of the different teams is very interesting:

The Mainland League.
Shamrock Record.

Date.	Opposing Team.	Goals For.	Goals Against.
Sept. 17	Celtic	0	0
Sept. 24	Chilliwack	0	1
Oct. 1	Island Casuals	1	0
Oct. 8	Rovers	1	0
Oct. 15	Celtic	2	1
Oct. 22	Island Casuals	4	0
Oct. 29	Rovers	2	0
Nov. 5	Central Park	1	0
Dec. 3	Col. College	1	1
Dec. 10	Central Park	5	0
Dec. 17	Chilliwack	6	0
Dec. 24	Col. College	6	0
Dec. 31	Chilliwack	2	1
Total goals for Shamrocks		31	
Total goals against Shamrocks		5	
Total points possible		24	
Total points made		20	

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Oct. 22	Island Casuals	4	0
Oct. 29	Island Casuals	2	0
Nov. 5	Island Casuals	3	0
Nov. 12	Chilliwack	3	0
Nov. 19	Col. College	1	1
Dec. 3	Central Park	3	0
Dec. 10	Central Park	3	0
Dec. 17	Rovers	1	0
Dec. 24	Rovers	3	0
Dec. 31	Rovers	3	0
Total goals scored		27	
Total goals against		5	
Total points possible		24	
Total points made		20	

BASKETBALL.

J. B. A. A. vs. Cloverdale.
Two excellent basketball matches are scheduled for tonight. The J. B. A. A. and Cloverdale intermediates and juniors will meet in the J. B. A. A. gymnasium.

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HANDBALL.

No Game.

The handball game which was to have been played at the J. B. A. A. gymnasium last night between Jost and Smith and Peden and Hughes, did not take place as one of the boys was unable to attend.

WHIST.

J. B. A. A. Tournament.

The J. B. A. A. whist tournament will be continued tomorrow evening. The members are taking keen interest in the tournament, and as there are a number of good players among them, the result is very doubtful. The prizes will be awarded at the close of the tournament.

THE KENNEL.

Parlor Show Tonight.

The Victoria Kennel Club will hold a parlor show in Sir William Wallace hall this evening. For the convenience of competitors the doors will be opened at 6:30, and judging will commence at 8 o'clock.

THE PLAY HOUSES

A good audience greeted William Collier, the favorite and successful comedian, and his capable company in their presentation of Richard Harding Davis' farce, "The Dictator," at the Victoria Theatre yesterday evening. It was an evening of laughter, the theme being the troubles of a United States consul who is to take up his post at Porto Banos, a mythical republic in Central America, where revolutions occur with systematic regularity and such frequency.



KID SMITH.

dainty wig dropped from the head of the player. Then it was obvious that the "lady" was a man.

One of the teams had turned up a player short, and a gentleman offered his "sister's" help. "She" turned out with the regulation skirt and jersey and the treacherous wig.

Saturday's Games.

Hockey enthusiasts will be able to witness two good games next Saturday afternoon at Oak Bay. The second eleven of the ladies' club will play the "Nanaimo ladies" team at 1:30 p. m., and at 2:45 p. m. the Victoria seniors (men's eleven) will meet the R. E. in a championship match. Lieut. Elliston will be requested to act as referee.

Men's Practice.

The members of the Victoria hockey club are requested to meet at Oak Bay this afternoon at 3:30 in order to prepare for Saturday's league game.

GYMNASTICS.

Gymnasium For Fifth Regiment.
The Fifth Regiment is to have a gymnasium and Sergt. Dunn, R. G. A., has been appointed boxing instructor, with Sergt. Clark instructor of general gymnastics. The classes will commence tomorrow night.

Local News.

New Proprietors—Messrs. J. Wolfenden and W. Millington have taken over the Victoria hotel formerly of E. L. Gordon, and they intend to take possession as soon as possible.

Preparation Drill.—The Ladies of the Maenades held a preparation drill for the guards at the A. O. U. W. hall last night. The drill was in the nature of preparatory work for the annual installation, which will take place in the K. of P. hall on the fourth Monday in February.

Meeting of Council.—An adjourned meeting of the city council will be held tomorrow evening, when important business will be discussed, chief amongst which is the appointment of a librarian. There are forty-four applicants for the position, and the council has quite a task to make a selection.

Dallas Road Embankment.—The removal of the Brochite Lodge cable station from Boyd street to Menzies, necessitated by the subsidence of the embankment at the old cable landing, is now completed. It may be said that Dallas road will never be as safe as it should be at some points until the concrete embankment is completed to Menzies street.

Cheap Travelling.—Now that the five cent street cars from any point in the city to the Esquimalt terminus, it may be questioned if any city in Canada gives a longer passage for the modest investment of a nickel. One takes a car from Esquimalt to Oak Bay—or vice versa—a ride of seven miles or over, for the single fare.

Married in California.—Many Victoria friends will be interested in the news that has been brought by the mail from San Francisco of the marriage in that city on Saturday last of Miss Isabel Ramsay, third daughter of the late Rev. James Christie, and sister of Manager Wm. Christie, of the C. P. R. telegraph here, to Mr. Wm. A. McGuire, of Ben Lomond, Cal.

Revival Services.—In connection with the revival services at present being conducted in the Metropolitan church, a sermon was preached last evening by Rev. Mr. Westman of Centennial church on the "Cleansing of Naaman." During the service a hymn was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, and Mr. Hicks sang a solo. The preacher this evening will be Rev. Mr. Dean.

Knights of Pythias.—A very interesting session of Victoria Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., will be held in Pythian hall, corner of Douglas and Pender streets, tomorrow evening. About fifty candidates are expected to be present to receive ranks. The team will also be present to confer the third, or amplified, rank. Visitors and local brethren are cordially invited to be present.

Enjoyable Dance.—The second annual dance of the Tailors' Union was held in Victoria hall, Blanchard street, last evening, and the merry dancers thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Part of the evening was devoted to a social, when various games of cards were played. The music was supplied by the Schibant orchestra, and in the interval a dainty supper was served. Altogether the assembly proved to be a rare treat.

Subscribers the Sufferers.—Very general and not unjustifiable complaints are heard in Victoria of the infrequency of the amendment of the telephone directory. A new issue is almost as much of a rarity as a stable government in Central America. The receipts from Victoria's telephones as contrasted with the cost of running the business surely leave a sufficiently copious margin for the management to be a trifle less economical with their directory revision.

A Veteran Journalist.—Mr. William Coldwell of Winnipeg, who is at present visiting his son, Mr. George A. Coldwell of this city, the president of the Trades and Labor Council, enjoys the distinction of having been the pioneer of journalism in the prairie province. He entered Winnipeg, then Port Garry, as correspondent of the Toronto Globe, in 1879, and since then has seen service on the "Globe's" "outside staff." It is stated that he brought the first printing press to Manitoba, when he began the publication of the Manitoban, of which he was editor and proprietor.

PERSONAL.

F. McD. Russell, of Russell & Russell, and Chester B. Macneil, of Davis, Marshall & Macneil, are over from Vancouver on professional business.

William Macdonald, of the Victoria Mail, where he has spent the past ten days on business.

A. H. Wallbridge is over from the Mainland.

Major, Mrs. and Master Snyder are again visiting Victoria.

Rev. L. Norman Tucker, general secretary of the Anglican board of missions, spent yesterday in the city.

G. H. Cowan and E. A. Wilmut, former owners of the Victoria, are over from the lower Mainland.

Alex. Ewen, the pioneer salmon canner of the Fraser river, is paying a visit to the capital.

Geo. A. Fraser, M. P. P., and Tracy M. Holland, also of Grand Forks, are guests at the Hotel Vernon.

Fisheries Inspector Colin B. Sword and C. C. Worfield are over from the Royal City.

Among Victoria's returned visitors is the Viscount Kolburne, the eldest son of the Earl of Glasgow, whose heir he is. His Lordship has seen military service in the Orient, and came across by the Athenian.

William Schacter, president of the Schacter Asbestos Co., of Montreal, and who also represents the Keesbey & Matheson Co. of Montreal, the largest manufacturers of asbestos goods in the world, is a guest at the Hotel Driard.

Miss Lovell returned last evening from a visit to friends over the Sound. Ray H. H. Cowen, of Seattle, spent yesterday in the city.

W. N. E. C. and E. Musgrave were passengers inward by the Princess Beatrice yesterday afternoon.

B. W. Greer and E. J. Cyle, high officials of the C. P. R., returned from the Sound yesterday.

Charles A. Ross, of New Westminster.

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ster, was a passenger to Victoria by the Mainland steamer last evening. Mrs. Lamont returned last evening from a visit to Vancouver friends.

Sol Oppenheimer is spending a day at the capital.

Mrs. Macneil returned yesterday from St. Paul, Minn.

Hon. F. L. Carter-Cotton, president of the executive council, came over from the Terminal City last evening.

E. A. Quigley, of Vancouver, is in the city.

D. C. Macgregor of Vancouver is in the city on business.

Mrs. Thomas Hooper arrived home last evening by the Princess Victoria.

Stephen Jones returned last evening from Vancouver, where he is arranging for the erection of a skyscraper on his Hastings street property.

F. W. Tiffin and J. C. MacLure came over from Vancouver last evening.

HOW PORT ARTHUR GOT ITS NAME.

Of all the millions of people on whose lips and in whose minds the name of Port Arthur has been present for so long, how many, one wonders, know why the place is called Port Arthur. The explanation is interesting.

Forty-four years ago a certain Lieutenant Arthur was in Chinese waters in command of a British gunboat attached to a surveying expedition. In the course of the proceedings which resulted in the landing of the English and French in 1859, it became Lieutenant Arthur's duty to tow a disabled flagship into the then unknown harbor, which was thereafter known as Port Arthur. The young lieutenant afterwards became a rear admiral. The late Rev. James Arthur, rector of Atherington, Devonshire, for forty-nine years, was his father, and the present rector of the parish is his nephew.

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Minnesota And Empress In Race

White Liner Expected to Reach Yokohama Five Days Before Big Liner.

Haddon Hall Contract Awarded - Dakota to Reach Sound by Next June.

Steamer Empress of Japan sailed from the outer dock for Yokohama at 9:30 p. m. on Monday; the steamer Minnesota sailed from Seattle at 4:30 p. m. on the same day, five hours before her. The Canadian Pacific Railway people claim that the white liner will reach Yokohama from five to six days ahead of the big Hill steamer, and that the Empress will have been ten days at Hongkong before the Minnesota arrives there. The Empress of Japan is the fastest vessel on the Pacific, having made the record run of ten days and ten hours between Victoria and Yokohama. The new Pacific mail liner Korea has the second time, she having gone from Yokohama to San Francisco in ten days and fourteen hours. Much interest is being displayed by marine men in the race between the white liner and the new steamer. The Minnesota has about the same number of passengers as the Empress of Japan. There were 25 in all. Her cargo totaled 20,000 tons measurement, being carried to the coast by 37 trains. Among the passengers who sailed on the Minnesota was the Nagai manager of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, who made a trans-Pacific arrangement with J. I. Hill at St. Paul similar to that held by the Boston Steamship Co. with the Great Northern. Ever since the Boston Towboat Co. later known as the Boston Steamship Co., entered the "Oriental" trade at Seattle and Tacoma, a close traffic arrangement has existed between this company and the Hill railway lines. Now that the Minnesota has entered the Asiatic trade and the Dakota is about to enter it, there is no prospect that this arrangement will be disturbed. Under the terms of the prevailing contract, six months' notice is required to annul the agreement. Mr. Hill said a few days ago when he was in Washington that no such notice had been given or was expected. The railroad will operate in harmony with both steamship lines, and the same rates will apply to both. These rates are much lower than the "business" being considered—than the rates offered by lines operating via San Francisco.

THE DAKOTA.

To Be Ready To Sail From Puget Sound July 1.

The Dakota, sister ship of the monster Minnesota, is expected to go into commission early in March. Mr. Hill, who has been in the east for some time, says that unless unforeseen circumstances arise the new vessel should be ready to sail from the yards of the Eastern

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The Dakota will go through with about the same programme as the Minnesota did last fall; that is, she will visit New York and proceed thence to Norfolk to take on her bunker coal; go up the Delaware bay and river to Philadelphia, and then start on her long journey around the Horn to Seattle.

According to this plan, the Dakota should be ready to sail in her maiden voyage to the Orient by July 1, or possibly a little earlier. Mr. Hill has no anxiety about getting enough business for these two largest cargo carriers in the world. The cargo space of the Minnesota was engaged thirty days or more in advance of the date set for sailing, and her passenger list was probably a surprise to the officers of the company; at any rate it was a source of gratification to Mr. Hill.

SECURED CONTRACT.

Haddon Hall Will Be Repaired by Victoria Machinery Depot.

The Victoria Machinery Depot will repair the British ship Haddon Hall, their tender, which is in the neighborhood of \$7,000, was accepted. There were four tenders, two from the B. C. Marine Railway Co., one from Andrew Gray, and one from the Victoria Machinery Depot. The Haddon Hall is on the company's ways, she having been hauled out there to be surveyed. The work is to be completed in eighteen days. There are sixteen plates to be removed and four frames to be straightened. The work was necessitated as a result of the stranding of the ship in South American waters.

SHIPS ARE DUE.

Two Loaded Vessels Which Are Daily Expected.

The British bark Invermurray and the ship Eurasia, both bringing general cargo, are fully due. The former, which is coming from Antwerp, is now 132 days out, and the latter is 129 days out from London. The British ship Sofia is also expected soon. She is now 207 days out from Cardiff with coal for the navy that once resided at Esquimalt. The Sofia had trouble on the way. She put into Port Stanley, in the Falkland islands, on September 29 with her cargo shifted, decks damaged, and three mails blown away. Repairs occupied two months.

HAD NO CHRISTMAS.

On Her Way Out The Lyra Lost the Holiday.

There was no Christmas celebration and no Christmas dinner on the steamer Lyra, Capt. George Williams, of the Boston Towboat Co.'s fleet, on her last trip to Yokohama. This was due to the fact that while crossing from west to east a steamship loses a day, just as it gains twenty-four hours after crossing the meridian while coming from Japan to the Pacific coast.

This information was received in Tacoma the other day in a letter from Percy C. Harrington, purser of the Lyra. On Saturday, Dec. 24, the Lyra crossed the 180th meridian, from west to east, in latitude 41° 23' and longitude 01 minutes north. This occurred at 2:20 p. m. the day before Christmas. By passing into east longitude a day is lost and this day happened to be Sunday, Dec. 25.

According to every person on board the big vessel lost his Sunday as well as his Christmas day. Those who went to bed on Saturday night, after a sleep of eight hours, awoke to find it Monday morning, Dec. 26.

In like manner the China Mutual steamer Keemun had two New Year's days, gaining a day after crossing the meridian from east to west.

The Lyra arrived at Yokohama on Jan. 3.

TWENTY DAYS' DELAY.

Repairs to Steamer Olympia Will Require Some Time.

The repairs to the steamer Olympia, which was disabled Saturday night in the Strait of Juan de Fuca while putting to sea from Port Townsend, will consume some twenty days before the vessel will again be ready to proceed on her voyage to the Orient. As a result of the crown sheet of the port boiler blowing out, Chief Engineer Daniel Snyder and Third Assistant Vantassel are both still lying in the hospital at Port Angeles, suffering from injury from the scalding water which burned the hands and limbs of both men. Snyder is improving, but Vantassel is in a critical condition.

J. F. Trowbridge, general manager of the company, stated that the Olympia will not be able to continue her voyage for at least three weeks. The damages to the vessel will aggregate \$5,000. She is now at the shipyards of Moran Bros. where her repairs will be made.

ABANDON THE ELDER.

Wrecked Steamer Turned Over to the Underwriters.

The latest advice from Goble, near the end of the disaster to the steamer George W. Elder on Saturday night, state that the wreck is rapidly rising in her hull. She has a list of ten degrees and has swung around partly across the current, which increases the danger of the vessel's slipping from the ledge of rock into water 90 feet deep. Efforts to get a tarpaulin over the hole in order to pump out the water have proven unsuccessful.

Most of the cargo that escaped damage has been removed to Port Angeles and the Elder has been turned over to the insurance underwriters, her owners, the Harriman interests, preferring to accept

the insurance rather than keep the wreck and accept the chances of raising her.

The crew has been paid off and the officers have come to San Francisco to take charge of the steamer Costa Rica, which will be placed on the run.

CARLETON FLOATED.

British Ship Which Stranded at Bellinham Is Saved.

News was received here yesterday that the American ship S. D. Carleton, which stranded on the beach near Squillum Creek, Bellinham, was moved into deep water on Monday by the tug Tye. The Carleton has been ashore for nearly a month, having been blown onto the beach when her anchors dragged and the storm of December 27. Many efforts were made to extricate the vessel without success, and recently a contract was made with a Seattle man, who agreed to float her for \$3,000. The ship had been buoyed with pontoons placed on either side of her, and taking advantage of the high tide on Monday, the tug Tye shifted her 50 feet from the sands. The vessel will be surveyed without delay, and repairs may be necessary. Victoria shipyards are in the securing the work and will submit bids for repairs if tenders are called for.

MARINE NOTES.

Barge John C. Potter arrived at Comox yesterday. Captain Bartlett, her former master, who has joined the bark Oregon, was replaced by Captain Andrew Strong. The Potter loaded coal for Treadwell mines.

Steamer Meteor passed up to Ladysmith yesterday morning.

Steamer Ilesau passed up yesterday to load coal for the Treadwell mines. She will bring a return cargo of concentrates.

H. M. S. Shearwater left yesterday on a cruise to the east coast.

H. M. S. Empress of China is due next Tuesday.

Steamer Shenano Maru is due on January 3.

The Port Townsend customs authorities have issued orders forbidding the carriage of unstacked lime without a special permit; such cargo is considered dangerous.

Steamer Montana left San Francisco on Monday with 12,000 bars of lead, to be shipped to Kobe by the next outward N. Y. K. liner.

Owing to an accident to the illuminating apparatus at Entrance Island lighthouse a provisional light is exhibited from the lantern pending repairs to the voyage to the Orient. The light does show as bright a light as the original one.

The turbine steamer building at Dunbarton for the Union Steamship Co., whose vessels are on the Canadian-Australian line, is intended for the Australia-New Zealand trade. One turbine vessel has already been placed in this service and is giving great satisfaction.

MARINE REPORT.

Tatoosh, Jan. 24.—Cloudy, southeast 25 miles. Outward, Empress of Japan, Minnesota. Inward, Transit at 11 a.m. Outside bound in, Ludlow.

THE TIDES.

High water 6:48 a. m.
Low water 12:48 a. m.
High water 5:20 p. m.

How Cruiser Sayen Was Lost

Graphic Details of Deeds of Heroism as the Vessel Went Down.

Japanese Battleship Yashima Repaired and is Again in Togo's Squadron.

Graphic details of the sinking of the Japanese cruiser Sayen off Port Arthur, told in this issue, make an interesting reading. As usual, Mr. Walker, the general manager, has gone minutely into the business conditions of the past year and has dealt generously with the prospects of the present year. Of the year that has gone there is but little that is good to say beyond the satisfactory harvest of the West. In the Maritime Provinces conditions were generally unfavorable, and in Ontario the dairy and fruit raising results were amongst the worst on record. Had it not been for the West, the Canadian year would have been an unfortunate one. As a predictor, Mr. Walker has established an enviable reputation for accuracy, and his estimate of conditions for the coming year will make pleasant reading for many. That his confidence is placed in this issue, makes the bank is evidenced by the fact that it has been decided to issue the remaining portion of the authorized capital, bringing it up to \$10,000,000, despite the fact, as pointed out by Mr. Cox, that the demands of merchants and manufacturers are not increasing so rapidly as in late years. The increase is, however, justified by the necessities of the bank's circulation and the expectation that the increase of business in the west and the contingent increase in the east will afford employment for it. In

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a serious problem to Japan. There were 3,475 Russian prisoners, and the addition of the land hunger of the farmers will swell the number to about 50,000.

The Japanese naval casualties from the beginning of the war to December were 2,492 in all, the killed numbering 1,530, of whom 230 were killed in land fighting.

Latest advices from the Shamo state that terrible distress prevails among the Chinese, who have been turned from their dwellings wholesale by the Russians. Even official buildings in Mukden were taken for barracks, despite Viceroy Yseng's objections. The Russians are seeking to break the Chinese wall, the viceroy objecting strongly. This objection failed, however, at Lianyang.

Successful experiments have been made by military officers at Tokio with falcons in capturing carrier pigeons.

Ten thousand letters were seized by the blacking squadron at Port Arthur, many from women, mostly wives of soldiers. The majority were forwarded after perusal.

Serious riots are reported from Seoul. During last year there was a deficit of over \$200,000 in Korea.

Rich discoveries of kerosene and coal have been made by the Americans near Pingyang, Korea.

BANK OF COMMERCE.

Montreal Gazette.

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this connection, however, it will be well to note the warning uttered by Mr. Walker regarding the land hunger of the farmers of the west, and the unfortunate consequences that may flow from it. Until conditions have adjusted themselves in the west there may well be apprehension.

As for the bank itself, it has enjoyed a prosperous year, the earnings being nearly 13 per cent. of the capital. This has enabled the payment of the annual dividend, the reduction of the bank premises account by a substantial sum, and the addition of half a million dollars to the rest. The assets of the bank have now reached the great sum of \$91,000,000, and are more than three times what they were in 1894, a truly remarkable growth of business and indicative of the confidence of the public in the institution and its progressiveness.

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